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SUBJECT: RDGB Diary Items for Week ending 23 March 1956

TO: WDGE

FROM: RDGB

DATE: 26 March 1956

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19 March 1956

1. Received a TWX from AFOOP containing SAC recommendation that Beale AFB be considered as SM-65 site. Forwarded same to WDD and was advised that sites will be surveyed in April, among them Beale AFB. WDD is working with SAC on this problem and will advise when selection completed. AFOOP so advised. (~~SECRET~~)

2. Received 10 copies of WDD Development Plan of this date. Copies distributed as follows: RDGB (for RDG), RDT, RDS, RDZG (subsequently sent to RDSP), RDGP, RDSC, RDSI, RDSM, RDSO, and RDST. General Sessums was subsequently briefed on the content of the development plan, and in particular on the financial plan and budget changes indicated as compared to the 18 Nov 55 development plan.

20 March 1956

1. Col Matthews, AFCGM, called regarding disposition of a ten ton/day LOX plant originally scheduled for AFMTC. Subsequent action between Col Matthews, Col Hebner, WDSM, and Maj Nash, RDSM, determined that the plant would be initially installed at AFFTC.

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Prout is scheduled to go to school in August, the letter requested that a replacement be chosen in conjunction with WDD and that he be placed on 2 weeks TDY at WDD prior to his departure for overseas. (~~SECRET~~)

3. Called Col Boatman, in General Schriever's absence, to advise him of the funding difficulties expressed by AFCIE on the speed-up of Missile Assembly Building "L" at AFMTC and steps being taken by RDS to eliminate the problem.

4. Together with Colonels Eichel, Jacobson, Hamilton, Mathison, and Dr. Nichols attended a presentation by General Yates and Colonel Cooper on the Long Range AFMTC Plan. Some of the problems which this presentation posed were subsequently discussed by the group with AFMTC representatives.

21 March 1956

1. Mr. Connor, RDZP, requested information on WDD R-600 funding for FY 57. Information was furnished him from the most recent development plan. He was also advised that RDSC had this most recent information.

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2. Col Gibson, RDTDG, at his request, was furnished an estimate of the amount of R-600 funds used to date in FY 55 and 56 in the field of guidance and control for WDD. The information furnished was principally obtained from existing contracts.

3. Received telephone call from Col Soper advising that the secretary, Mr. Quarles, had expressed some concern to General Brentnall over the amount of increase in the WDD budget as evidenced by the new development plan. He suggested that General Sessums be briefed on the fund situation. I advised him that this was in process (General Sessums was furnished requisite information on 22 March). I subsequently advised General Schriever, through Col Boatman, of this matter as well as the concern expressed by Col Soper of the adequacy of Volume II of the new development plan.

22 March 1956

1. General Sessums advised me that he had a telephone call from General Day, Commander, Air Photographic and Charting Service, concerning the latter's desire to have a meeting on 19 or 20 April here in Baltimore with representatives of this headquarters and WDD to discuss geodetic and gravimetric problems relating to WS 107A and WS 315A. I subsequently discussed this problem with Maj Fox. A memorandum to General Schriever was written proposing certain action in this regard.

2. I was advised by Col Finton regarding the scope of the presentation desired by the OSD-SAC on WS 117L during their meeting in April at AFMTC. He advised me that General Putt had discussed this subject with General Schriever. I subsequently advised General Schriever and Commander Truax in this regard as well as General Ostrander and Colonel Genez. A memorandum for record concerning this matter was written with copies to all concerned.

23 March 1956

1. Received a Top Secret TWX from AFOOP concerning the IRBM IOC. This TWX together with implementing instructions was cited out to WDD in TWX RDGB-T-6-88.1-E over General Sessums signature. ~~(SECRET)~~

2. Was advised by Col Boatman of the names of WDD personnel to attend certain meetings. Mr. Lingle, RDGET, advised as of 0900, 26 March.

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